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TO AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNAR, NL, OVIP (VAN AGT, ANDREAS)

SUBJECT: VISIT BY VAN AGT

REF: THE HAGUE 6072

1. PARA 2 REFTEL INDICATES DUTCH WILL FINANCE INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL FOR VAN AGT AND TWO ASSISTANTS. WHEN VAN AGT HAS THE THREE RESERVATIONS MADE, PRESUMABLY THROUGH KLM, HE SHOULD ALSO REQUEST THAT ROUND-TRIP NEW YORK-WASHINGTON RESERVATIONS BE SECURED SIMULTANEOUSLY BY KLM. U.S. WOULD COVER COST OF THREE ROUND-TRIP AIR TICKETS NEW YORK-WASHINGTON. EMBASSY SHOULD ADVISE US OF FLIGHT NUMBERS, DATES AND COSTS. WE WILL WORK WITH AID TO SEE IF TR FUNDING AUTHORIZATION CAN BE APPROVED EXPEDITIOUSLY.

2. WE WILL ALSO ENDEAVOR TO GET PER DIEM FUNDING AUTHORIZATION TO YOU IF AT ALL POSSIBLE PRIOR TO THEIR DEPARTURE. WE BELIEVE EXCEPTIONAL PER DIEM SHOULD BE PROVIDED IN VIEW OF MINISTERIAL RANK OF VAN AGT AND CONCLUDE SAME AMOUNT SHOULD PROBABLY BE OFFERED TWO ASSISTANTS, AND THAT PER DIEM SHOULD COVER PERIOD OF STAY IN U.S. FROM JANUARY 6 TO JANUARY 15 OR NINE DAYS, SUBJECT TO EMBASSY VIEWS. SPECIAL INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE APPROVAL IS REQUIRED FOR EXCEPTIONAL PER DIEM, FROM WHICH VISITORS PAY THEIR OWN HOTEL AND OTHER EXPENSES. FYI: FOR CABINET RANK THE MAXIMUM AVAILABLE IS
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45 DOLLARS A DAY END FYI. IN ORDER TO SUBMIT MEMORANDUM TO

AID WE REQUIRE A TELEGRAM WITH AN EMBASSY REQUEST THAT EXCEPTIONAL PER DIEM BE PROVIDED AT A DAILY RATE TO BE RECOMMENDED BY THE EMBASSY. TELEGRAM SHOULD INCLUDE FULL NAMES, POSITIONS, RANK WITHIN THE MINISTRY, LENGTH OF PROGRAM AND CONCURRENCE OF ANY POST COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL VISITORS PROGRAMS. REQUEST THIS SOONEST.

3. WE SUGGEST AMBASSADOR SHOULD CONSIDER GIVING DINNER ON JANUARY 7. WE HAVE SOUNDED OUT CHIEF JUSTICE WHOSE OFFICE IS NOT YET SURE ABOUT APPOINTMENT BUT INDICATES TENTATIVE ACCEPTANCE BY BURGERS FOR JANUARY 7 DINNER. WE WOULD SUGGEST AS ADDITIONAL GUESTS THE DUTCH AMBASSADOR AND WIFE, VANCES, THREE DUTCH INVITEES AND THE MARTINS, WHICH WOULD MAKE TOTAL TWELVE. REQUEST REACTION TO FOREGOING BEFORE WE EXTEND FURTHER INVITATIONS. BURGERS ALSO ASK FOR TIME, DRESS AND LOCATION OF AMBASSADOR'S DINNER. IF AMBASSADOR WISHES INVITE BARTELS THIS WOULD EXCEED TWELVE HE SPECIFIED ON TELEPHONE.

4. WE WILL SEEK THREE HOTEL RESERVATIONS AT MAYFLOWER WHEN EMBASSY ADVISES WHICH DAY PARTY WILL PROCEED TO NEW YORK. CAN PARTY REQUEST HOTEL RESERVATIONS AT NEW YORK THROUGH KLM?

5. WE WILL ADVISE NETHERLANDS EMBASSY HERE OF PROGRAM DEVELOPED TO DATE WHEN EMBASSY REOPENS ON DECEMBER 27. MAW

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